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MARGINAL COLUMN

By LENY LAQUEUR

THE Soviet attitude towards East European Jewry and Soviet policy on the Middle East and Israel in particular have come in for sharp criticism and pressure from opposite quarters in recent weeks. The position taken by the semi-fascist groups in Syria and Egypt is that a "moderate" anti-Jewish line was not quite enough. After all more spectacular things had been promised such as new mass trials of Jews. The case of Khalid Bakdash, Secretary-General of the Syrian Communist party, is of some interest in this context. The Damascus newspaper "Al Kabas" reports a great demonstration against him after his recent return from Moscow. Several hundred students are said to have demanded in a note to the Syrian Chamber of Deputies that Bakdash should be removed from the Parliamentary Foreign Affairs Committee. "Al Sha'ab," another Damascus paper, has accused Bakdash of being a "foreign agent." All that, because Bakdash took part in a Communist Congress in the Soviet Union in which Communist delegates from Israel such as Mikunis have also participated!

IT would be hard to charge Bakdash with a pro-Jewish or pro-Israel bias, and his Israel colleague, Mikunis, has made a valiant effort to defame Israel and the Jews, from the "Moscow Doctors'" case in 1953 up to the recent statement about the "fascization of Israel." Nevertheless, when all is said and done, Mikunis, though an anti-Zionist, remains a Jew, and Jews (the Syrian semi-fascists contend) have to be exterminated. Which means that the Arab Communists, who do not wish to be outdone by any potential rivals in the nationalist movement, are under pressure to adopt an even more anti-Jewish line than the one practised just now. The happenings at the recent "World Peace" Council in Stockholm have been another straw in the wind. They want to monopolize the most extreme wing of the nationalist movement and the relentless competition with the semi-fascist groups compels them to adopt ever more openly anti-Jewish (not just anti-Israel or anti-Zionist) slogans.

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BUT there has been a lot of criticism elsewhere from an opposite vantage point, and the Western press has been full of it in recent days. As the Soviet leaders are now far more sensitive to public opinion abroad than before, and in view of the Khrushchev-Bulganin visit in England, it can be taken that they are somewhat concerned about the effects of the "moderate" anti-Jewish line in the West. The fact that only Slansky has not been rehabilitated, for the obvious reason that he was a Jew, and that his trial had an anti-Semitic background, has made a very bad impression even among French fellow travellers, not otherwise easily shocked. They say that it is too blatantly cynical to rehabilitate Rajk and Kostov while putting the foot down on the Slansky affair for the simple reason that the "anti-Cosmopolitan" line is still believed to be advantageous—at least for export to the Middle East. The arrest of Jews in the Soviet Union (for keeping Yiddish or Hebrew newspapers), the uncompromisingly hostile attitude to Israel and other evidence for a continuation, and sometimes intensification, of the anti-Jewish line have provoked doubts in the British press as to the sincerity of the "retreat from Stalinism."

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THERE are already clear signs that the Soviet leaders do not greatly relish this state of affairs. The intensification of the anti-Jewish, anti-Israel line in order to please some Arab extremist circles has caused them real trouble in the West. The excuses made hitherto have not exactly improved matters: "We are not against the Jews in general—Israel, oh yes this is a different chapter... the rights of Soviet and satellite Jews? Oh no, this is a purely internal problem..." And so on. Soviet "Jewish policy," in short, is now in the melting pot. Arab extremists pull in one direction, Western public opinion in another. It will be interesting to watch what will emerge.

London, April 23.

Khrushchev Presses Disarmament Plan

LONDON, Wednesday (Reuter). — Soviet Premier Nikolai Bulganin and Communist Party Secretary Nikita Khrushchev are believed to have produced a new proposal on disarmament in a last bid to gain some concrete success from their visit to Britain.

The Soviet statesmen, due to sail for home on Friday, prolonged their talks today with Sir Anthony Eden by postponing a scheduled Press conference.

Their extra meeting tonight with the Prime Minister fitted in with hints dropped by Mr. Khrushchev to politicians here that he had "a big plan" on disarmament to put to th West.

Mr. Khrushchev last night had a long and earnest discussion on the issue at a Soviet party with Mr. Harold Stassen, the U.S. delegate to the United Nations Disarmament talks currently taking place here.

If any major Russian proposal has been made, it is likely to call for a widespread scaling down of military strength by the powers on ground, sea and in the air. In speeches here, Mr. Khrushchev has been outspoken about the uselessness of conventional armaments—especially warships—in the modern atomic world.

After today's extra meeting, a communique from Downing Street said "The final stage of the Anglo-Soviet discussions was concluded this afternoon. The results will be announced after the return of the Soviet leaders from their visit to Scotland tomorrow afternoon."

Speculation that the Russians had put forward a new proposal on disarmament had been strengthened by reports that Mr. Khrushchev strongly hinted about a new disarmament move at Monday's turbulent dinner party with British Labour Party chiefs.

Politicians present state that the Russian leader said during a speech "We have a big new plan on disarmament." For some reason, there were interruptions by some of his audience and the sensitive Mr. Khrushchev is reported to have said: "Well, if you do not want to hear about it, I will not tell you."

On the other hand, he has been equally blunt, some commentators have called him "threatening," on the power of the Soviet Union in nuclear weapons.

President Eisenhower confirmed in Washington today that he had received a report from Mr. Stassen on his talk with Mr. Khrushchev, which he had not yet had time to study fully. The Pre-

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'Anything Might Have Happened'

...ON, Wednesday (UP). — A Russian trade delegate today pleaded guilty in a London court to being drunk and incapable at midnight.

Vladimirovitch Klirinov was fined five shillings, the same as any English person who appears on this charge for the first time.

When told that Klirinov has been at Claridge's Hotel the night before at the reception given for the Russian leaders, the Magistrate said "anything might have happened there."

Claridge's said this morning that the reception had resulted in £2,000 damage in broken glasses and ruined carpets.

CZECHS DISMISS DEFENCE CHIEF

PRAGUE, Wednesday (Reuter). — General Alexej Cepicka has been dismissed from his post as Czechoslovak Defence Minister, it was officially announced here tonight.

Colonel-General Bohumir Lamsky has been appointed to succeed him, the announcement said.

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Ex-Chiefs of Polish Security Arrested

LONDON, Wednesday (Reuter). — The former Polish Deputy Minister of Public Security, Roman Komkowski, has been arrested, Warsaw Radio reported last night.

This follows the week-end dismissal of three Cabinet members and the Public and Military Prosecutors-General, and the announcement that Poland is to release 30,000 prisoners.

Premier Cyrankiewicz promised more democracy, more justice, and the rehabilitation of prisoners wrongly convicted, in a speech to the Seym (Parliament) on Monday night.

Anatoli Bejoin, a former Director at the former Ministry of Public Security, was also arrested.

The radio said that both men "were responsible for law breaking and for depriving a number of innocent persons of their freedom as well as applying unpermitted methods of interrogation."

Poland will spend seven per cent less on defence this year than in 1955, Finance Minister Tadeusz Dstrich told the Seym yesterday in presenting his new budget.

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Ike Would Attend M-East Talks 'If They Are Useful'

WASHINGTON, Wednesday (Reuter). — President Eisenhower said today that he would attend a summit conference of Western, Soviet and Middle East leaders if he was convinced of its usefulness.

He told a Press conference that he had not heard of suggestions that a conference be held between the heads of government of the Western Powers, the Soviet Union, the Arab nations and Israel. But he said he would meet anybody, practically anywhere, as long as it was in keeping with the dignity and self-respect of the U.S.

Mr. Eisenhower said he saw no useful purpose to be served as of this moment by a visit to the U.S. by the Soviet leaders now touring Britain.

In answer to a question, the President said he hoped that the recent dispatch of four additional U.S. destroyers to the Mediterranean would have a stabilizing influence in the Middle East.

He had been asked if there was any particular link between this action and the Middle East situation.

Mr. Eisenhower replied that there was no connection except in the sense that the U.S. always kept forces in the Mediterranean. The U.S. was not trying to expand its authority or influence there. All it wanted to see was a return to stability, just as it asked for stability in Formosa and other areas, he said.

H-Tests Vital

Also at this Press conference, Mr. Eisenhower rejected suggestions that the U.S. call off the hydrogen bomb tests in the Pacific next month. He said that such tests are linked inseparably with the development of guided missiles.

Commenting on the claim of Soviet Communist Party Secretary Nikita Khrushchev that Russia will soon have a missile with a hydrogen warhead that can land anywhere in the world, the President said that long-range guided missiles will merely reinforce the present vast destructive power of bombers and that therefore their influence is largely psychological.

Nevertheless, Mr. Eisenhower said that the U.S. was working at top speed on the development of guided missiles.

5,000 Troops Hunt Algerian 'Butchers'

ALGIERS, Wednesday (Reuter). — More than 5,000 French troops were today pouring into the Soumman valley, south-west of the port of Boogie, where about 20 Moslems have been slaughtered in rebel reprisal raids.

The peasants were murdered by their neighbours with unheard of savagery. Women were raped and mutilated and the throats of old men and children were cut.

In recent weeks Algerian Moslems have been increasingly seeking the protection of French forces against the rebel terror campaign.

In Cairo today, the Algerian nationalist leader, Ferhat Abbas, told a press conference that the rebels would carry warfare "into France itself." He said he was proposing negotiations between France and the "Algerian Liberation Front" aimed at independence for Algeria.

Abbas, a former member of the Algerian Assembly, is visiting the Egytian capital with three other nationalist representatives seeking Arab support for their fight against France. He said that the "only condition that Algerians demand is French recognition of Algerian nationhood."

(UP, Reuter)

Cyprus Turks Resume Counter-Terror

NICOSIA, Wednesday (Reuter). — Fresh rioting by embittered Turks broke out today when the curfew was lifted from the Turkish sector of Nicosia.

It was the third day of communal violence in the island capital. The Turks are seeking revenge for Monday's murder of two Turks by Greek Cypriot terrorists.

After two-and-a-half hours the curfew was clamped down again, but it was announced later that it would be lifted at 6.30 tomorrow morning for the day.

The long street which bisects Nicosia will remain closed to the public as a no-man's-land between Greek and Turkish quarters.

Ceylon Seeks Aid From Anywhere

COLOMBO, Wednesday (Reuter). — Mr. Solomon Bandaranaike, new Prime Minister of Ceylon, who is pledged to establish a socialist republic, said here today that he hoped Ceylon would receive technical aid not only from the U.S., but other countries including Russia and China.

BUS SEGREGATION IN U.S. SOUTH ENDING

MONTGOMERY, Alabama, Wednesday (Reuter). — Bus companies in some southern cities have ordered abolition of segregated seating in their buses, but many others are still running segregated buses holding out for state and city laws that prohibit integration of Whites and Negroes.

The action was taken in line with a Supreme Court ruling abolishing segregation in public transportation services.

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UN Chief Meets Jordan Premier

The U.N. Secretary-General, Mr. Dag Hammarskjold, conferred yesterday with the Jordan Premier, Samir Rifa'i, in Amman in the hope of ending the renewed tension along the Israel-Jordan frontier. He flew into Amman yesterday and conferred with King Hussein a few hours after he received Israel's protest of the murder of four civilians on the road to Eilat by marauders from Jordan.

Mr. Hammarskjold and Gen. E. L. M. Burns met with Rifa'i and Defence Minister Salah Madadha for two hours. The Jordan Premier said after the meeting that he had told the Secretary-General that only Israel was to blame for border tension.

Informed sources said that Jordan had not prepared any proposals to submit to the U.N. chief and that the talks were limited to a border agreement and that political aspects were avoided.

It was announced that Mr. Hammarskjold will return today to Beirut and that the talks will be resumed this morning prior to his departure. The Secretary-General yesterday flew to the Old City, visiting both Moslem and Christian Holy Places, as well as refugees camps.

Meanwhile, Col. Salah Gohar, chief of Palestine Affairs in the Egyptian War Ministry, returned to Cairo yesterday from his trip to Amman and Damascus where he briefed Government leaders on the Hammarskjold - Nasser talks in order to unify the Arab stand on the U.N. peace-making mission. He reported to Foreign Minister Mahmoud Fawzi last night and will see Premier Abdul Nasser today.

(UP, ANA)

JORDAN, SYRIA TO RESUME YARMUK PLAN

Jordan announced yesterday that she would resume the Yarmuk River irrigation and hydro-electric project with Syria which she renounced a few months ago.

The Arab News Agency said that agreement on this was reached in the recent talks between King Hussein and President Shukri Kuwatly of Syria.

U.K. is Pro-Egyptian, Shinwell Charges

LONDON, Wednesday (Reuter). — The former Labour Defence Minister, Mr. Emanuel Shinwell, said in the Commons today that the Government had adopted a "pro-Egypt policy in the Israel-Arab dispute." He declared that this was not in the interest of peace.

Minister of State Anthony Nutting said that the Government's policy was impartial and he thought that the entire House knew it. These remarks followed questions from Labour members about arms for Israel and the Arab countries, which are now put almost daily.

Mr. Arthur Henderson, Labour, asked if Mr. Nutting knew that Egypt had received 19 motor torpedo boats, 200 MIG fighters, 100 tanks, and six submarines from Czechoslovakia. He asked if these supplies had been taken into account when deciding arms supplies to the Middle East under the Tripartite Declaration.

Mr. Nutting replied that the Government knew that Egypt had received "substantial" quantities of arms from the Soviet Bloc. But he would not add to previous government replies on this subject.

YAHIL NAMED ENVOY TO SWEDEN, NORWAY

Dr. Haim Yahil has been appointed Minister to Sweden and Norway, the Foreign Ministry announced yesterday. Dr. Yahil, at present Director of the Information Division at the Ministry, will replace Dr. Avraham Nissan, who recently returned from Stockholm.

Dr. Yahil was born in Czechoslovakia in 1905 and came to Israel in 1929 to join a kibbutz. From 1932 to 1939, he was active on Zionist missions in Austria and Czechoslovakia. He returned to Israel on the eve of the outbreak of World War II.

From 1939, he served in various capacities in the Histadrut until, in 1946, he went with the Jewish Agency welfare mission to Germany. In 1948 he was appointed Israel Consul in the allied zone of Munich. He has been in his present position since 1951. He is married and the father of two sons.

M.A.C. CHAIRMAN BALANCES BLAME

The Jordan attack in the Lachish area on April 18, in which an Israel soldier was killed, was dealt with in yesterday's emergency meeting of the Israel-Jordan Mixed Armistice Commission, the Foreign Ministry spokesman announced. In the same incident, a Jordan national guardsman was killed and another wounded. The Jordanian's body was found in Israel territory.

Two resolutions were put to a vote paragraph by paragraph. Both resolutions were only partly adopted because the Chairman, Commander Terril, voted for only five of the eight paragraphs of the Israel resolution, and for three parts of the seven-point Jordan resolution.

The resolutions adopted merely state that there was an exchange of fire coming from both sides of the armistice lines and that this had been a breach of the Armistice Agreements.

The M.A.C. also demanded that the Jordan authorities return a truck to Israel. This vehicle was seized by Jordanians and driven by them over the border. The Foreign Ministry spokesman has pointed out that the "equalizing" voting policy of the Chairman resulted in the almost complete elimination of mention of the truck, with the exception of the demand for its return.

The Israel members present at the session were Rav-Seren A. Doron and Seren A. Salant; the Jordan representatives were Major Abu Ghazeile and Lt. Mahmud Da'ur.

USSR May Seek Return to '47 Partition Plan

By JESSE ZEL LURIE
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

NEW YORK, Wednesday. — Ever since Mr. Arkady Sobolev, the Soviet Permanent Delegate to the U.N., told correspondents at Mr. Abba Eban's Independence Day reception that Russia had several interesting suggestions, Israel officials have been wondering what proposals the Soviets have been planning.

Today, Joseph Alsop, in a cable from Cairo appearing in the "New York Herald-Tribune" after conversations with Premier Abdul Nasser and the Secretary-General of the Arab League, Abdul Khalek Hassuna, reported that Russia backs Arab demands and will demand that the U.N. forcibly implement the 1947 resolution, including the internationalization of Jerusalem.

America's choice, Mr. Alsop said, is to join Israel and the British in an all-out fight against Soviet-supported Arab nationalism or come to terms "and even make friends with this redoutable new political force."

The writer believes that the latter course is preferable, adding that America's bargaining point is that Abdul Nasser fears a "resolute, united opposition by the U.S. and Britain" and being left "in solitary isolation with the giant power, the Soviet Union."

Wants Extermination

Premier Abdul Nasser told Mr. Alsop that an enormous truncation of Israel is the only way out he could see. Hassuna told him that if "this surgical operation is not performed now, total extermination of the patient would soon become the minimum demand."

All these facts together, the writer continued, make obvious the kind of Soviet move contemplated. What then follows will depend on the reaction of the Israel Government and Western policy makers to this new challenge for which they are wholly unprepared. It is hard to see any outcome except a "naked clash" between the Western allies and the new Arab nationalism powerfully backed by the Soviet Union.

The writer assailed U.S. policy in the Middle East, which is "nothing but dithering punctuated occasionally by diplomatic love notes lauding the charms of peace."

Congress Presidium Appoints Committees

The Political Commission of the 24th World Zionist Congress, consisting of 32 members, will meet this morning to begin work on a series of resolutions to be voted upon later in the day.

The Presidium decided yesterday to set up seven other commissions: Steering; Constitutional and Organization; Settlement and Economic Affairs; Finance and Funds; Middle Class Immigration; Education, Culture and Information; and Youth and Pioneering. All commissions have 32 members except the Steering, which has 21.

The Presidium also decided to allot eight more hours to the political and security debate.

N.Y. MAYOR SENDS SCROLL TO KHOUSHY

A scroll of honour from the Mayor of New York City, Mr. Robert F. Wagner Jr., was presented yesterday to the Mayor of Haifa, Mr. Abba Khoushy, by the U.S. Consul in Haifa, Mr. Leonard R. Cowles. The scroll stresses Mr. Khoushy's contribution to the orderly operation of the Municipality and his efforts to bring Arab and Jew together on peaceful terms.

F.A.O. Congress in Tel Aviv

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV Wednesday. — Delegates from a dozen countries tonight attended the opening of a world F.A.O. congress on settlement problems at Beit Lessin. The congress, which was opened by the Minister of Agriculture, Mr. Kadish Looz, is studying settlements of various types. It will close in Jerusalem on May 10.

Mr. Looz told the delegates that the U.N. Food and Agriculture Organization had greatly assisted the implementation of development in this country. Agricultural settlement was "the very fibre of our endeavours to gather the dispersed of our nation and integrate them into the productive life of our country," he said. He pointed out that there were extensive areas still to be settled, and that scientific research would have to be mobilized to develop them.

Dr. Rainer Schickele, F.A.O. chief in Rome, said that most Governments found themselves "ill prepared and at a loss as to how to tackle settlement problems." There was room for various types of settlement and forms of tenure in any country, he said, adding that Israel would give delegates the opportunity to study a wide range of settlement forms.

Mayor Haim Levanon brought the greetings of Tel Aviv to the conference. He said that it was exactly 100 years since Sir Moses Montefiore established the first orange grove in Jaffa.

The Minister of Finance, Mr. Levi Eshkol, spoke late tonight.

The countries represented at Beit Lessin, which flew their flags before the floodlit building, are: Finland, Holland, Belgium, Switzerland France, Portugal, Sweden Cyprus, India, the Philippines, Burma and Israel.

The eight-man Israel delegation is headed by Mr. H. Gvati, Director General of the Ministry of Agriculture.

TAX CHANGES

The Coalition Executive met yesterday in Jerusalem to consider certain changes in the projected Defence Tax Law. It is understood that the tax will be amended to allow for family deductions, similar to the Income Tax Law. A levy on soft drinks was also brought up for consideration.

The Finance Committee of the Knesset met yesterday to discuss the Defence Tax Law and will continue its deliberations today.

Herut Heckling Disrupts Zionist Congress Debate

Two Sessions Broken Off

Jerusalem Post Staff

The first day of debate at the 24th World Zionist Congress being held in Jerusalem was broken up yesterday when the Herut faction launched a concerted and deliberate heckling attack from the floor against the Mapam leader, Mr. Ya'acov Hazan, and against the chairman of the session, Dr. Nahum Goldmann.

This manoeuvre to disrupt the plenary sessions of the Congress was engineered by the 53-member Herut delegation headed by Mr. Menahem Begin, M.K.

Dr. Goldmann, was forced to adjourn both the afternoon and evening sessions after the Herut delegates persisted in heckling Mr. Hazan in the political debate.

The Presidium held two sessions, one after the first adjournment in the afternoon and the second which began at 9.15 and sat until 1.40 a.m. when Dr. Goldmann announced to an almost empty hall that the plenary was adjourned until 10.30 this morning. No explanation was given of the deadlock in the presidium.

The session had opened to packed galleries, as on the opening night, in anticipation of the scheduled address by the Foreign Minister, Mr. Sharett in fact remained in the building while the presidium were holding their closed session, waiting for a decision which would enable him to deliver his address. He finally left at 1 o'clock.

Meanwhile delegates in the hall organised sing-songs and horo dances to pass the time in the manner which has become traditional at closing sessions of Zionist Congresses when delegates have waited until the small hours for final committee decisions. The spirits, however, were extremely depressed by the "scandal" which had disrupted a congress convened in order to demonstrate to the world and to Israel the support of World Jewry in this hour of crisis.

Mr. Hazan, speaking after Mr. Begin and in reply to him at the afternoon session, said "If forced to defend ourselves, we shall fight with all our strength for there is no other choice. However, anyone preaching war is a criminal against Israel."

The Herut delegation sitting to the right of the dais, took this as a personal insult against their leader, and broke out in a storm of protest.

Attempts Fail

Attempts by Dr. Goldmann to restore order failed. His calm soon disturbed, he called in irritation to the hecklers, "Enough screaming. Enough!"

Dr. Joseph Klarman, one of the two Herut members of the Presidium, carried the protest of his party to Dr. Goldmann, demanding that Mr. Hazan either retract his remarks or apologize.

Mapam members, seated on the left side of the hall, rose to enter the vocal fray and demanded an assurance that Mr. Hazan would be permitted to continue. They were supported by their coalition colleagues sitting nearby in the Mapai section.

One Mapam member shouted, "Begin insulted us and we didn't interrupt." Mr. Hazan stood unmoved and expressionless on the platform by the microphones, staring at the balcony, waiting for an opportunity to continue.

The Congress President, Mr. Yosef Sprinzak, Knesset Speaker gifted for his ability to calf over-wrought members, was consulted by Dr. Goldmann, who announced after the consultation that since there was no clearcut order on which to proceed, Knesset procedure would be followed. He assured both right and left factions that he would not try to determine the right and wrong of the case, and he said that delegates would be permitted to address their grievances to the Presidium.

He went on to say that the "screaming" was improper, and he appealed to the delegates not to make the first day of the Congress a "scandal." Dr. Goldmann noted that he had given Mr. Begin more time to speak than was due to him, and that Herut should take note of the concession.

The Chairman of the Jewish Agency Executive was applauded when he told the trouble-makers to save their tempers for the real emergency, and not waste them on the Congress.

Appeals for Quiet

He went on to say that Herut had two members on the Presidium who had the right to ask for a ruling on the matter. Dr. Goldmann appealed for quiet for 10 or 15 minutes while the Presidium could take a decision, but the leaders of the Herut faction gave no quarter and continued their demands that Mr. Hazan apologize or retract. Dr. Goldmann said he had understood that Mr. Hazan had said: "Any one preaching war commits a crime against Israel"; Mr. Hazan had used the word "poshea" in Hebrew which could mean either "criminal," or "commits a crime."

Invectives were meanwhile being thrown from right to left and left to right. Shouts of "Stalin" and "Go Back to Prague" were hurled to the left, and counter-cries of "Terrorist" bounced back to the right.

At one point, infuriated members of Mapam started to move toward the Herut seats, but were restrained

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Mass Support For Government Line

Jerusalem Post Staff

The Zionist Congress debate on political and security affairs which opened in the Convention Centre in Jerusalem yesterday expressed almost unanimously support for the Israel Government's policies, voiced criticism of Big Power politics in the Middle East and pledged full support from Jews in the Diaspora for Israel in her crisis.

The expected exception was Mr Menahem Begin, (Herut).

Opening the debate Mr. S. Levenberg (Ihud, Great Britain) said that Israel's policy of moderation could not be boundless.

"We demand peace for Israel, and this means giving her arms to prevent war." He said that Israel should remain neutral in her relations with the Big Powers.

Doubting that the Congress would achieve a change in the structure of the Zionist Organization, Rabbi M. Kirshbloom (Mizrahi, U.S.) said that its chief aim should be the unification of the Jewish people towards its future goals. He decried the stand of the Big Powers towards Israel.

The afternoon session, opening 30 minutes late, was led off by Dr. Israel Goldstein (Confederation, U.S.) who said that the American Government, because of its power to aid in the present crisis, bore the greatest responsibility for what happened.

Dr. Goldstein, President of the American Jewish Congress, noted that Arab diplomats in the U.S. joined professional anti-Semites to spread hate. He recalled the refusal of Arab countries to give visas to American Jews, and the boycott against firms hiring Jewish personnel.

U.S. Jewry's Solidarity

Mr. Louis Segal (Poale Zion, U.S.) expressed American Jewry's solidarity with Israel. American Jewry was sufficiently courageous to stand up for Israel's rights and it was the united Zionist movement which spearheaded the struggle on behalf of Israel.

At this point a Mizrahi speaker refused to take the platform when he was informed that he would be limited to 15 minutes. He refused to be limited, and Mr. Begin took his place.

Speaking for one hour in Yiddish, the Herut leader said that it should be impressed on everyone that war has already begun. "The casualties we suffered during the last eight years exceed by far those sustained before and during the War of Independence."

Mr. Begin with biting sarcasm criticized Government policy which maintained that Israel did not covet one inch of foreign soil. He asked: Is Bethlehem foreign territory, or the Old City of Jerusalem, or Hebron?

He demanded that the delegates say in Paris, in London, in New York that the repelling of the enemy whether at Tel Aviv or at Gaza was not aggression but legitimate defence.

Mr. Ya'acov Hazan (Mapam, Israel) followed, declaring that Mr. Begin's declaration about the existence of a state of warfare was devoid of reason, since if it had been true there would be no one in the hall applauding his speech. As long as peace could be maintained there was no justification for shedding either Jewish or Arab blood.

HERUT OBSTRUCTION

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Reaction to yesterday's uproar in the Zionist Congress differed widely among the delegates who sat in the centre of the hall quietly observing. A number of those who had attended many Congresses said they had seen this type of fracas break out before, and considered it nothing unusual. One veteran delegate said in desperation at midnight that it was the worst breakdown he could remember.

Some of those who are attending for the first or second time took the matter gravely, feeling that since Israel's situation was serious, this was no time for such displays.

Observers saw it as an expression of the fact that Herut had been excluded from the Jewish Agency Executive.

It is known that Dr. Goldmann would like to see the broadest possible coalition in the Executive, including Herut. But there was a feeling in the lobbies last night that Herut's obstructionism had hurt its chances of being voted in at this Congress.

Foreign correspondents saw Mr. Begin's strategy as aiming at capturing the world headlines in order to gain publicity for his "activist" policy as against the Government's more moderate policy.

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Social & Personal

The President received Mr. Albert Menasha, Chairman of the Bombay Jewish community, yesterday morning.

The President and Mrs. Ben-Zvi also received the editors of "The Defence of Tel Aviv," Aluf A. Avner, and Messrs. Y. Dekel, B. West, S.D. Yaffe, B. Zimhi and Y. Segal, who presented them with the first copy of the book.

The President also received the veterans of the Zion Mule Corps on the occasion of the anniversary of their 1915 Gallipoli landing.

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The Foreign Minister and Mrs. Sharett entertained to tea on Tuesday Dr. and Mrs. Philip Wigoder, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Wigoder, Mr. and Mrs. Geoffrey Wigoder and Mr. and Mrs. Bezalel Blau.

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Professor Benjamin Mazar, President of the Hebrew University, Professor Michael Even-Ari, Vice-President, and members of the University administration, yesterday visited the Weizmann Institute of Science and were received by Dr. B.M. Bloch, Administrative Director, and Dr. C.L. Pekeris, Chairman of the Scientific Committee.

Mr. A.N. Wedgwood-Benn, British M.P., and Mrs. Wedgwood-Benn also visited the Institute yesterday.

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The Argentine Ambassador, Dr. Gregorio Topolevsky, was presented yesterday at the Embassy with a certificate of inscription in the J.N.F. Golden Book by members of the Argentine delegation to the Zionist Congress and tourists. The Ambassador thanked them warmly and read out to them the text of the Argentine Government's cable greeting Israel on the occasion of the Independence Day celebrations.

Mrs. Raymond Fuoss, wife of Prof. Fuoss of Yale University, visited Malben institutions yesterday.

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Professor Walter Kaufman, Professor of Philosophy at Princeton University, will lecture on "Positivism and Existentialism — Two Revolutions against Traditional Philosophy" under the joint auspices of the Hebrew University and the Israel Philosophical Society at 8.30 tonight in Beit Hillel, 4 Rehov Balfour, Jerusalem.

Mr. Albin D. Molchon, chief of the Agricultural Division of the U.S.O.M., will speak on "Agriculture in Israel" at today's luncheon of the Tel Aviv — Jaffa Rotary Club at Z.O.A. House.

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Mr. Walter Frankl, manager of Hadassim children's camp, will give information and accept registration in Tel Aviv at Peer Cafe, Allenby Rd. corner Rehov Bialik, tomorrow, Friday, April 27, from 3.30-6.30 p.m.

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BIRTH

PADWA — to Shulamith and Jack Padwa on April 25, 1956, at the Assuta Hospital, Tel Aviv—a son, brother to Ilona.

Ike Leads in Two State Primaries

PITTSBURG, Wednesday (UP). — Pennsylvania Republicans gave President Eisenhower a 5-3 edge over the Democratic vote polled by Mr. Adlai Stevenson in the state's presidential primary yesterday.

With 5,883 of the state's 8,734 precincts reporting, the Republican vote gave Mr. Eisenhower 578,857 and Sen. William Knowland 28,272. The Democratic vote from 5,635 precincts was Mr. Stevenson 378,683 and Sen. Estes Kefauver 16,229 write-in votes.

In the Massachusetts primary yesterday, the veteran House leader, Mr. John W. McCormack, soundly defeated Mr. Stevenson, but both Democrats were outdistanced by President Eisenhower who passed the combined vote for the two.

OTHELLO. — A Russian version of Shakespeare's Othello yesterday received the warmest welcome of any picture so far presented by this year's Cannes International Film Festival—but it showed few of the qualities of a potential Grand Prix winner.

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HAIFA: Dr. Reuven, 67 Herzl, 2077. Dr. Sherman, 3 Himmerlin, 3324. Dr. Lederle, 24 Ahuzat Shoa, 4021.

LAW REPORT

The Jerusalem Post
April 26, 1956

In the Supreme Court Sitting as High Court of Justice

Before the Deputy President (Justice Cheshin), Justices Silberg and Goitein.

Hagi Ali Hassina, Petitioner, v. The Prime Minister, The Commander-in-Chief, Z.H.L., and Inspector-General of Police. (H.C. 53/56).

Druze Must Serve In Army

The High Court dismissed a petition for an order nisi calling on the respondents to show cause why the conscription order requiring the petitioner, amongst others, to register for military service on a certain day at a certain place, should not be cancelled.

The petitioner, Hagi Ali Hassina, a Druze born at Shafr Am in 1936, was, together with other Druze of his own age, ordered to report for military service, in a calling-up order published in *Kashmnot* in February, 1956.

Hagi applied to the High Court for an order nisi against the Prime Minister, the Commander-in-Chief and the Inspector-General of Police. He claimed that the order compulsorily conscripting young Druze who, until then, had been voluntarily inducted into the army, was made at the initiative and instigation of certain so-called Druze notables serving in the Knesset and that, as he was a member of no political party, they did not represent him and could not take decisions affecting him. Furthermore, there were two different communities in Israel—Jews and Arabs—and the purpose of the Defence Service Law was to conscript the former but not the latter. As no other Arab or minority group had been conscripted, the compulsory conscription of the Druze was, in the petitioner's opinion, deliberate discrimination against them and smacked of dictatorship.

Hagi claimed further that he was entitled to exemption from conscription in accordance with section 11 of the Defence Service Law, since he had no intention of settling permanently in Israel.

Mr. N. Hawari appeared for the petitioner.

Decision

The High Court held that there was no justification whatsoever for the petition. The petitioner was a young man of military age who had been born in the country and had never been out of it. He had all the necessary qualifications for serving the state in which he lived and whose protection he enjoyed. The Court was unaware of the origin of the claim that a member of one of the minorities in Israel may not be compulsorily conscripted. The Defence Law applies equally, with one notable exception, to the population of Israel as a whole, insofar as they fulfilled the required conditions (of health and age).

The Court held that it was not its business to enquire into the reason for the authorities having refrained, till now, from imposing the law on certain groups of people. As they had now chosen to call the petitioner to the colours, the Court saw no reason for interfering with this decision, which was in no way unlawful.

Decision given on April 22, 1956.

Poland on Threshold of New Freedom, Premier Announces

LONDON, Wednesday (Reuter). — Josef Cyrankiewicz told the Seym (parliament) Monday night that Poland was "on the threshold of a new and historic process of democratization of political and economic life," Warsaw Radio reported early yesterday.

Deputies and members of the public packed the chamber to hear the Premier speak.

Mr. Cyrankiewicz said that the present process of "restoring Leninist dogmas" now taking place meant striving towards the liquidation of the "negative aspects" of the Stalin cult period. These included "Beriaism," the "hamstringing of the development of culture and the art" to the "restraining of the initiative of the masses" and bureaucracy in many state institutions.

The Premier said that 123 "agents of foreign intelligence had been arrested in 1955. A number of them were sent from abroad." He also announced that the last remnants of underground groups operating in Poland all these years have been liquidated.

The Prime Minister promised more democracy, more justice and more pay, greater freedom in Parliament and the rehabilitation of prisoners wrongly convicted.

The Seym had not performed its function properly in the past, he said. "Interrogations and complaints" by deputies were brushed aside and "this must end."

Referring to the amnesty bill announced on Sunday, under which 30,000 persons will be released from prison immediately and many others will benefit, he disclosed that a special commission is being formed to help the large number of persons leaving prison who had been victims of "provocation, lawlessness, abuse and undeserved repressions."

Mr. Cyrankiewicz told the Seym, "Anybody who has a good reason may demand his rehabilitation. The organs of justice will do everything in their power to restore to him his honour and civic rights and, if it lies in human power, to compensate for the wrong done to those unjustly convicted."

Anglo-Jewish Students 'More Israel-Conscious'

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV, Wednesday—Jewish students in British universities are more Israel-conscious than ever before, Dr. S. Levenberg, Jewish Agency representative in London here for the Zionist Congress, told *The Jerusalem Post* recently.

A group of 25 university alumni would be coming to Israel in the autumn of this year and would probably settle in the Lachish region. They will be followed next year and the year after by similar groups, while 25 others are coming next month for a year of farm work and guard duty in border settlements, he said.

Following the vigorous efforts of Israel emissaries, migration to Israel and Hebrew education have become the major aims of the Zionist Federation in the U.K., which held its annual conference only a few days ago. The conference elected Mr. A. I. Richtiger, head of the Migration Committee for many years, as Chairman, and Mr. P. Williams, who is one of the "fathers" of the Federation's string of training farms, as Deputy Chairman.

British Zionists would like to see more autonomy given to the Zionist organizations in the European and Latin American centres, Dr. Levenberg said. He urged that sections of the Jewish Agency Executive be established in these areas of Jewish population, similar to the branches of the Executive in New York and Jerusalem, with members of the Executive in residence.

Dr. Levenberg said that the British delegation to the Congress would vote against the liquidation of the Jewish National Fund, which they believed had an educational function.

KEISER. — The late George Camp Keiser, founder of the Middle East Institute in Washington, an organisation providing information to Americans on Middle Eastern affairs, left nearly $4.5m., it was revealed in a petition for probate of his will filed in Orlando, Florida.

Czech Defence Minister Resigns

VIENNA, Wednesday (UP). — Reports from Prague said that Mr. Alexei Cepicka, Czechoslovakia's Defence Minister and Vice-Premier, had asked "to be relieved of all his positions."

His "resignation" followed within a week that of Premier Vulko Chervenkov of Bulgaria and the ouster of Poland's Justice Minister and the top civilian and military prosecutors.

KERES AND SMYSLOV DRAW

AMSTERDAM, Wednesday (Reuter). — The International Chess Candidates Tournament was continued here today. Results of the fifteenth round were: P. Keres (Russia) v. Smyslov (Russia) ½-½ after 19 moves. In an adjourned 14th round game Spassky (Russia) beat Pilnik (Argentina) 1-0 without further play.

THE OWNERS of the Hatzafon Bakery in Nahariya were recently fined IL75 for night baking and for employing a person on night work. Sentence was passed by Magistrate E. Ktelly, in Acre.

ON THE AIR

FIRST PROGRAMME
322, 368, 33.3 & 49.9 M.

News: Hebrew: 7 a.m., 1.30. **Arabic Programme** (including News): 8 a.m., 2.15 & 5.45 p.m. 6.30 a.m Service. 6.35 Exercise 6.45 Musical Clock (R). 7.15 Melodies (R). 9.00 Close Down. 12.00 N. Programme for Factory Workers (Haifa). 12.30 Housewives' Corner. 12.50 Requests (R). 1.45 Excerpts from Operas by Wolf-Ferrari, Massenet, Bizet, & Verdi. 3.30 Close Down.

4.00 p.m. Mif'al Hapayis Drawing. 4.15 Siesta. 4.30 Weekly Summary: Mishna Yomit. 4.45 Mif'al Hapayis Drawing (continued). 5.00 Child Corner. 5.15 Youth's Programme. 6.45 Bible Reading. 7.15 Farmer's Corner. 7.30 Press Please. 8.00 Piano Recital by Ofra Fe'erli, Bach: Toccata & Fugue in C-minor; Chopin: Ballade; Ravel: "Le Tombeau de Couperin." 8.30 "At the Zionist Congress." 9.15 Concert by the Kol Yisrael Orchestra. Conductor: R. Goehr, Soloist: N. Valery. Shalkottas: Sketches for Strings. Vocal works by Lully, Purcell, Scarlatti & Bach. Rudolph Goehr: Concerto Cancrisante for Violins. 9.50 The London Jewish Male Choir. 10.05 Songs. 10.20 Musical Echoes. 10.45 Light Music. 11.00 "Owls & Grins" — Yitzhak Shimoni. 12.10 Close Down.

SECOND PROGRAMME
497, 499, 225, 216, 42.8 & 29.3 M.

English News: 1.45, 10.15 p.m. **French News:** 2.00 p.m.

IMMIGRANTS' HOUR: 5.30 p.m. Programme for Yemenites. 5.45 Ladino Hebrew Lesson. 6.00 Light Music. 6.30 French. 7.00 Yiddish. 7.30 Ladino. 8.00 Turkish. 8.15 News in Easy Hebrew. 8.30 Rumanian. 8.45 Hungarian. 9.00 Close Down.

KOL ZION LAGOLA (32.3 M.): (South Africa Programme): 6.30 p.m. News and Congress Report. 7.13 Close Down. 11.15 p.m. News and Congress Report.

ARMY PROGRAMME (44.6, 214, 225 & 238 M.): 6.30 Opening. 6.35 "Theme with Variations." 7.00 News. 7.10 Musical Programme. 7.30 What's going on in the Army. 7.45 Classical Requests. Works by Tchaikowsky & Copland. 8.30 "Musical Quiz." 9.00 News. 9.15 Dance Music. 10.00 Close Down.

B. B. C. HEBREW BROADCASTS: (16.79, 19.42, 16.98, 25.15 M.): 7.30-8.00 p.m. News, News Talk. Echoes from the World.

Memorial Meeting For Shlomo L. Richmond

A memorial meeting for Shlomo Leib Richmond was held yesterday at the Sharon Masonic Lodge in Tel Aviv. Richmond, who was born in Jerusalem, was 86 at his death in Nahariya on April 1.

In accordance with the request of the deceased, his executors had his remains removed from Nahariya and reinterred in the Givat Shaul cemetery in Jerusalem on April 19.

Richmond had been a Freemason for the past 60 years. He had joined the Masons when living in the U.S., his lodge there being that of Crooked River, Maine. When he returned to this country, he joined the Sharon Lodge. He was a generous contributor to charitable causes, Masonic and others, and will be remembered with affection by his many friends in Israel.

(A. E.)

VISITORS' GALLERY By AGATHA HALNAL

LARGER THAN LIFE

At an age when most people are thinking of retiring, the eminent husband-and-wife team, Dame Sybil Thorndike, aged 73, and Sir Lewis Casson, aged 80, are today conquering fresh fields in the world of drama in which they have shone for half a century.

Their current visit to Israel is the last lap of a 22-month tour in which they have played and recited drama and poetry ranging from Euripides to T.S. Eliot in a score of countries in four continents. After one of these performances, a journalist in Melbourne said "It is like five

first-nights." According to Joseph Milo of the Chamber Theatre, under whose auspices the visitors are performing, only actors of the highest calibre can cover such a broad range of pieces in such a short span of time.

Famous though they are, Dame Sybil and Sir Lewis are informal and spontaneous. They give such thought to the usual questions and answer them with such spontaneity as if they had never heard of them before. Dame Sybil is delicately built but has much vitality and powerful blue eyes. Her clear, smooth forehead is framed by white hair. Sir Lewis, amazingly agile, has a fine classical face.

Dame Sybil started her career as a pianist, and Sir Lewis as an organ builder, industrial chemist and teacher; but Dame Sybil can remember standing on a table reciting dialogues with her brother and having their own Shakespeare company in an old barn.

When she started acting professionally in 1904 with Ben Street's repertory company, touring England and America, she was bewildered at not being given all the leading parts. But such parts soon came, and have been coming ever since, and a list of Dame Sybil's performances is almost a summary of English drama during the changing years.

Wide Range

The scope of Dame Sybil's acting can be seen by the way she has acted in Grand Guignol, modern comedy, Greek tragedy, poetic drama and English and foreign classics. Her most celebrated and favourite roles, among others, are St. Joan, Hecuba in "Trojan Women," and the elderly schoolmistress in "The Corn is Green." During the man shortage of World War One, when she was acting with the Old Vic, Dame Sybil also took on such roles as Puck, Lancelot Gobbo, the Fool in "King Lear" and Ferdinand in "The Tempest." Acting men's parts is "jam for an actress" Dame Sybil says, "as men have the best roles."

Dame Sybil's first meeting with George Bernard Shaw was when she went to read the part of Candida. Shaw roared with laughter and said "You can be the understudy."

Their most exciting first night was that of "St. Joan" on March 24, 1924. Sir Lewis shared the production with Shaw and says he had two main functions—to explain to the actors what G.B.S. meant, and to speed up the performance, as Shaw would have allowed it to run on all night.

Dame Sybil and Sir Lewis met early in their acting careers in Miss Horniman's famous Manchester Repertory Company, where they acted together even before their engagement. They were married in 1908, and have since then made an actor-management team. All the family are actors. Dame Sybil's brothers and sister acted, and now three of their children are appearing in different corners of the world.

Acting should be larger than life, Dame Sybil and Sir Lewis say. In England today, acting has become smaller than life due to the influence of the film, which is more like a novel than a play, and has trained audiences to expect a naturalistic style of acting. Actors speak in tiny voices, so that they are sometimes inaudible, "which makes me mad," Dame Sybil says. But the theatre, they believe, is coming into its own again, with sets becoming less important and the curtain, which tends to cut the actors off from the audience, being omitted.

Up to now the best audiences in their tour were those in India. After their first Israel performance, in Jerusalem, Dame Sybil and Sir Lewis felt that the Israel audience was equally responsive. Sir Casson described the Jewish audiences in London, New York and Manchester as lively and eager.

This amazingly active couple, who have given so much to the theatre, are going straight into the rehearsal of T.S. Eliot's "Family Reunion" when they get back to London, without even taking time for a holiday. They paid particular tribute to their impresario, Mrs. Sonia Zylberlast, of Elinoa Ltd., who is responsible for their visit here.

Dame Sybil and Sir Lewis gave their fifth and last public performance at the Chamber Theatre in Tel Aviv last night before returning home. They were given a resounding ovation. Yesterday morning, they gave a special performance for the Chamber Theatre company, the Press, and other guests. Dame Sybil also visited a number of Wizo projects.

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Ex Libris Exhibition, Printer's Union Club Rooms, Rehov Hebron, (near Government Printer). 10-1, 3-6 p.m.

1) Dutch and Flemish 17 Century Paintings. 2) Paintings by Mrs. Adele Seligman. 3) Printed Books by Maurice Jacobs, Philadelphia. Exhibit of the Month: Marc Chagall. Rabbi reading (1914). Bezalel, 9-1, 3-5.

Permanent exhibition at the Department of Antiquities, Temporary: New finds from the excavations at Beit Shearim and Masyan Baruch, 9-1, 3-5.

1) Jerusalem Artists Spring Exhibition. 2) Selected Arts and Crafts of Jerusalem (in honour of the 24th Zionist Congress). 3) During the Congress, daily tea at 5 on the Panorama Terrace. Artists House, 10-1, 4-7.

Watercolours, Gouaches and Oils by M. Levanon. Nora Art Gallery, 10-1, 3-6

1) On the occasion of the 24th Zionist Congress, the Permanent Exhibition of "Conquest of the Desert." 2) Hatsor finds in the Entrance Hall. Guided tours: Sunday, Tuesday and Thursday between 4-6 p.m. Conquest of the Desert grounds.

• **Theatre:—**
Danny, Kaye, Zion Hall, 9. (Tickets for this performance available also in Tel Aviv at Rococo, 98 Dizengoff).

• **Tours:—**
Hebrew University conducted tour. New Administration Building. Opposite Terra Sancta. 10 a.m.

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• **Exhibitions:—**
1) Paintings by Braunstein, Berstein and Milstein; 2) "De Profundis", Paintings by Patients of the Government Mental Hospital, Acre. Museum, 10-1 and 4-7 weekdays, and 10-1 on Fridays and Saturdays.

• **Folk Dance Club:—**
Z.O.A. House at 7.45 and 9.30 p.m. — Round the World Folk Dancing.

BRAZILIAN TEAM COMING IN MAY

TEL AVIV, Wednesday. — Following Rampla Juniors, the Uruguay football team, will be the Brazilian League side Sao Cristao, who will arrive in the middle of next month. Mr. H. Cohen, of Hapoel, said yesterday at Lydda on his return from Istanbul. The Brazilian team, who are sixth in the League, will play their first game against Petah Tikva Hapoel.

Rampla Juniors will play two games here, the first against Hapoel Selected at the Jaffa Hapoel pitch on May 10 and the second on the same field against an Israel Selected.

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• **Theatre:—**
Cameri, "The Mantle," Mograbi, 8.30. "The Hasty Heart," New Cameri Hall, 8.30.
Habimah, "A View from the Bridge," 8.30.
Duigan and Schumacher, "Tousand and One... Laugh," Ohel Shem, 8.30.
• **Ballet:—**
Aida Sion, Ohel, 8.30.

HAIFA

• **Exhibition:—**
The Marine Museum, 2 Rehov Hanamal, week-days 9.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m. and 2.00 to 5.00 p.m. (Saturdays 10.00 a.m. to 1 p.m.) until May 13.
• **Lecture:—**
Richard Lannoy (London), in English, on "Recent Trends in Photography," Museum, Town Hall, 8.30.
• **Golden Age Club—**
Michael Hanauer, Advocate, on: "Hefna, the proclaimer of social justice." Elisheva Lahan: Citations and poems. Panorama Hotel, 4.30.
• **Haifa Symphony Orchestra:—**
Subscription Concert No. 2. Peer Hall, 9.

RAMAT GAN

• **Theatre:—**
De-Re-Mi, "Money, Money, Money," Rama, 8.15.

PETAH TIKVA

• **Theatre:—**
Habimah, "Faust," 8.

RISHON LEZION

• **Theatre:—**
Cameri, "The War of the Sons of Light and Darkness," 8.30.

Cinemas

JERUSALEM

At 3.30, 6.30 and 8.30 p.m.

ARNON: The Naked Dawn.
EDEN: Athena.
EDISON: Johnny Dark.
ORION: Helen of Troy.
ORNA: "Mademoiselle Nitouche."
ORGIL: Marty, 2nd week.
RON: Laughter in Paradise.
TEL OR: Madness of the Heart.
STUDIO: "Les Amants du Tage."
ZION HALL: The Bridges at Toko-Ri.

TEL AVIV

At 3.30, 7.15 and 9.15 p.m.

CHEN: To Catch a Thief, 2nd week.
EDEN: Awara, 6th week.
ESTHER: Interrupted Melody.
MOGRABI: The Card.
OPHIR: "Futaras Vedettes."
ORION: East of Eden, 5th week.
SHDEROTH: Love is a Many-Splendored Thing, 6th week.
TAMAR: The Green Scarf, 2nd week.
YARON: This is My Love, 2nd week.
ZAMIR: "La Vie d'un Honnete Homme," 9th week.
TCHELETH: Picnic, 5th week.
ALLENBY: The Purple Mask.
MIGDALOR: The Sword and the Rose, 2nd week.
ARMON DAVID: Innocents in Paris, 5th week.

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MAY: It's Always Fair Weather.
GAL OR: Gilda. Matinee: Fort Algiers.
AMPHITHEATRE: Carmen Jones, 5th week.
ORAH: "La Pensionnaire," 2nd week.
EN DOR: Take the High Ground
ARMON: The Country Girl. Matinee: Red Riding Hood.
ORLY: Verdi.
MORIAH: "Papa, Maman, la Bonne et Moi," 3rd week.
ORION: To Hell and Back, 2nd week.
ATZMON: Blackboard Jungle, 3rd week.
PEER: "Double Destin."

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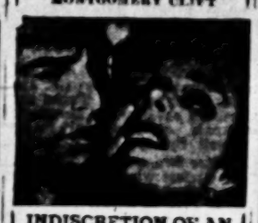
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NEW YORK, Wednesday (Reuter). — Results of Major League baseball matches in the U.S. yesterday were:

AMERICAN LEAGUE: Yankees 4, Senators 1; Tigers 7, Kansas City 4. NATIONAL LEAGUE: Cincinnati 3, St. Louis Cards 5. Postponed (rain): Red Sox v. Orioles (AMERICAN); Giants v. Pirates; Dodgers v Phillies (NATIONAL).

WORK IN Haifa Port has slowed down with the end of the citrus season. Yesterday, only five ships discharged cargo, while one vessel loaded exports.

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SUNDAY, May 13 — Series 'Z'
MONDAY, May 14 — Series 'J'
SUNDAY, May 20 — Series 'G'
MONDAY, May 28 — Series 'E'
WEDNESDAY, May 30 — Series 'A'
JERUSALEM
"Edison Hall," at 8 p.m.
THURSDAY, May 17, 1956
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"Armon" Theatre, at 9 p.m.
WEDNESDAY, May 23 — Series 'I'
THURSDAY, May 24 — Series 'J'
Conductor:
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Soloists:
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OEDOEN PARTOS *(Viola)*
alternating with
ABRAHAM POLISHUK *(Violin)*
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Programme: *HAYDN: Symphony No. 94 ("Surprise"); MOZART: "Symphonie Concertante" for Violin, Viola and Orch. (in Tel Aviv Series "I" and "Workers" and in Jerusalem) — alternating with BRAHMS: Double Concerto for Violin, Cello and Orch. (in Tel Aviv Series '2,' '3,' '4,' '5,' and '6,' and in Haifa Series 'I' and 'J'); PIZZETTI: "Phedra" Prelude; MOUSSORGSKY: "Pictures from an Exhibition."*
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Tel Aviv Stock Market

APRIL 25, 1956

Pop. Loans	
1949/69 (IL10)	977
3½% Tavei Dollar 53/7	69½
4% Comp. Loan 56/67	95½
3½% War Loan 54/59	97½
3½% Gov. Bds. (large)	98½
4% Reg. Sterling "A"	98½
4% Reg. Israel Currency "B"	97½
Pal. Bearer Bds. (ser. I)	94½
Bk. Leumi ord.sh. d)	1045
A.P.B. Investm.	
ord. sh. "B"	103½
Gasit ord. sh. "B"	95½
Ellern's Inv. ord.	132
P.E.C.Inv.ord. "B" h.d.	100
Gen. Mortg. Bk.ord.sh.	73
Hirur 4% debs.56/65	87½
Nir 4% Debs.(bearer)	92½
5% pref. sh.	98½
Pass 4% debs.62/64 reg.	79½
"Tava" 5% debs.	82½
I.L.D.C. ord.sh.reg.	107
5% debs.	94½
Afr. Pal. Inv.ord.sh.	75½
Rassco 6% pref.ord.sh.d)	85½
Pal. Potash 6%pref.sh.	107
"A" ord. shares	107½
Pal.Elec.pref.sh.(Lstg)a)	277
4½%P.E.C.Debs.57/64	103½* 101½**
Mekurot pref sh.	74
Ata ord. "B" sh.	118½
6-8%con.debs.	94½
"Kurdanek" ord. "B"	118½
7%con.debs.59/68	90½
Meller-Dee ord.sh.reg. y)	830
Pal.-Brewery 8%con.sh.	79½
Assis Rejerano "B" sh.	134½
"Teva" ord. sh. d)	105
Nesher 6% debs. "A"	105
Pal. Cold St. 7% debs.	120
ord.sh.rez.(full div.)	2100
Pal. Constr. Tr. 5% debs	97

Notes: a) purchasing price: b) selling price: c) ex-coupons: d) ex-dividend: e) ex right: x) in % of IL1,800: y) in Prutot v) 15.6./15.12: * Dollar ** Index.

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THE WEATHER

FORECAST: Partly cloudy; temperatures hot to normal.

	A	B	C	D
Mt. Canaan	—	15	32	14
Tiberias	21	20	34	20
Haifa Port	18	14	30	20
Natanya	24	16	31	20
Tel Aviv Kiryat	11	18	28	22
Tel Aviv Port	48	14	27	22
Lydda Airport	25	16	25	23
Jerusalem	13	16	26	19
Beersheba	9	11	26	26
Eilat	26	26	34	30

*A) Humidity at 2 p.m. B) Minimum temp. C) Maximum yesterday D) Maximum temp. expected today.

ARRIVALS

Mr. E. Sasson, Israel Ambassador to Italy, from Rome, for a short visit (by L.A.I.). Seventeen immigrants from the U.S.S.R., by El Al, via Vienna.

DEPARTURE

Miss Iris Levy, member of the World Wizo Executive, to the Belgian Congo, on a fund-raising mission.

REPARATIONS GOODS have been brought in eight ships to this country this month, the Shilumim Corporation announced yesterday. The goods included industrial equipment and spare parts, Diesel trains, train coaches, metals, chemicals, fertilisers, drilling equipment and pipes and fish fillet.

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THE CASE of Shalom Cabara, 57, charged with bigamy, for marrying Ruhama Buni in Rosh Ha'ayin last February while his wife was still living, was transferred to the District Court by Examining Magistrate Mr. A. Graaf, in Petah Tikva yesterday.

Censors Ban Two Films

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Film Censorship Board has banned the showing of two films.

The first, produced in Hollywood, shows the escape of a dancing team from the Eastern bloc, and its presentation was considered likely to offend a foreign power.

The second, a Japanese picture showing the devastation of Hiroshima by the atomic bomb, was banned because of its "horror."

9 T.A. RESTAURANTS "RECOMMENDED"

TEL AVIV, Wednesday. — Nine Tel Aviv restaurants were today "Recommended for Tourists" and were given special Government Tourist Corporation signs to place in their windows. The restaurants were chosen by a committee made up of representatives of the Ministries of Commerce and Health, the Hotel and Restaurant Associations and the Corporation.

The nine restaurants are: Rishon Cellar, Tuli Esh, Orly and Tel Yam, on Allenby Road; Napoli and Zuckerman (vegetarian), on Rehov Ben Yehuda; Carlton, on Rothschild Boulevard, Ofek, on Rehov Bograchow, and Dolphin Bar on Rehov Sholom Aleichem.

JLEM GETTING FIRST DRINKING FOUNTAIN

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The tap is to be turned on for an outdoor drinking fountain—the first in Jerusalem—this Sunday in the Municipal Garden on King George Avenue. The fountain is equipped with a refrigeration unit to cool the water and is the gift of Mrs. Deborah Dunkelman, of Chicago, Vice-President of the Vegetarian Society in that city.

PIGEONS RACING FROM EILAT TO HAIFA

HAIFA, Wednesday. — One hundred carrier pigeons will compete in an Eilat-Haifa flight on Saturday. The competition has been arranged by the owners, the Haifa Carrier Pigeon Breeders Union, which has 33 members, 21 of them port workers and the other two policemen.

The pigeons will be taken to Eilat tomorrow. In the previous competition in 1954, the winning pigeon covered the 500 km. distance in four hours.

ELATH TO LECTURE

WALTHAM, Massachusetts, Wednesday (UP). — The Israel Ambassador to Britain, Mr. Eliahu Elath, will give the first of three lectures at Brandeis University tomorrow night. He arrived on Tuesday from London.

Congress Gets Down to Work With Sprinzak as President

By MALKA RABINOWITZ

The Zionist Congress got down to work yesterday morning after its gala opening on Tuesday night, with Mr. Yosef Sprinzak as President. Although most of the delegates were in their places at the opening of the session at 10.20, the rest of the vast auditorium in Jerusalem's Binyanei Ha'ooma was almost empty.

During the 2½-hour morning session, Dr. A. Barth, President of the Congress Court, reported on the composition of the Congress delegations according to the mandates which had been examined and authorized.

When Dr. Nahum Goldmann, Chairman of the Jewish Agency Executive, announced that there would be no debate on the decisions of the Court, the Herut faction began heckling. "You're afraid that we'll do something in connection with Germany," one of the Herut delegates called out, referring to the two delegates from Germany.

Congress elections had been held in Sweden, Italy, Cuba and Bolivia, Dr. Barth reported. All other countries came to an agreement without elections on the composition of the delegations. There had been no complaints of forgeries or cheating, a departure from former Congresses, he pointed out.

Keren Hayesod Testifies

With regard to Haiti and San Domingo, which were sending delegates for the first time, the Court had investigated the rather sudden accumulation of so many Zionists, as represented by the number of *shekel* holders, Dr. Barth stated. The mandates had been authorized finally, partly as a result of testimony by the Keren Hayesod, which showed a large number of participants in those countries in last year's fund-raising campaign, he said.

Mounting to seats on the rostrum yesterday morning were 18 members of the Presidium elected by the Zionist General Council. According to party they are:

(Mapai) Golda Myerson, E. Shefer, A. Reiss, B. Zuckermann, and Haya Surchin; (General Zionist Confederation) Rabbi I. Miller, Y. Saphir, B. Janner, Y. Dunsky and R. Shehman; (Mizrahi-Hapoel Hamizrahi) Rabbi Zambrowsky and Rabbi Tchorsh; (Herut) Dr. Shechtman and Y. Klerman; (Mapam) Dr. R. Mahler and (Ahdut Ha'avoda) Y. Zerubavel.

The Honorary Presidium consists of Mr. Yitzhak Gruenbaum, Rabbi Y. L. Maimon and Professor Y. Klausner.

The session was opened by Mayor Agron who brought the greetings of the Municipality. He called upon both the Knesset and the Congress to extend spiritual and financial aid in developing the capital. It was hoped to add 100,000 residents to the city within five to six years, Mr. Agron stated.

Among the Greetings

Among the greetings received by the Congress from all parts of Israel and the world was a letter from "The Centre of Israelis of Russian and Soviet Origin" requesting the transfer to Israel of the remains of Dr. Yehiel Tchlenov, Ber Borochov and Ze'ev Jabotinsky.

Tchlenov was buried in London, Borochov in Kiev and Jabotinsky in New York.

"We believe that even the Soviet authorities would not oppose the implementation of this plan," the letter states.

The greetings of Prof. Benjamin Mazar, President of the Hebrew University, to the Zionist Congress are contained in a 24-page illustrated booklet on University activities presented to all delegates.

U.S. EXTENDS ISRAEL'S COTTON BUYING DATES

WASHINGTON, Wednesday (UP). — The Agricultural Department announced yesterday a further extension of the contracting and delivery periods in an authorization issued to Israel in November, 1955, to finance the purchase of up to $1.8m. worth of upland cotton from U.S. suppliers.

The final date of the contracting period was extended from March 31, 1956 to June 30, 1956, and the final date of the delivery period was extended from July 31, 1956 to September 30, 1956. All other terms and conditions of the authorization remain unchanged.

Hatzor Exhibition Opens in J'lem

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The holy of holies of a Canaanite temple, with restored idols and bas-reliefs are the outstanding items in an exhibition of the objects found at Hatzor, now on view in the Israel House on the Binyanei Ha'ooma grounds.

Opened yesterday morning by Mr. Zalman Shazar and by Dr. Yigael Yadin, who headed the archaeological expedition to Hatzor in August—November, 1955, the exhibit spans a period beginning with the Patriarchs and ending with the Return to Zion during the period of Ezra and Nehemia.

Bas-reliefs on ivory and bones dating from the Period of the Kings (9th and 8th centuries B.C.E.), as well as pottery and bronze and iron objects are also on show.

Renewal of the excavations begins in July.

Orders Signed By Hitler on Display

Orders signed by Hitler and Nazi chiefs to destroy, banish or seize the property of Jews are among the items in the Yad Vashem exhibition which opened on Har Hazikaron, Jerusalem, yesterday morning.

In photographs and documents, the exhibit covers the entire period of terror suffered by European Jewry from the opening of World War II until the Nuremberg trials.

The exhibition will remain open until next Thursday between 10 a.m.—1 p.m. and 4 p.m.—6.30 p.m. *(Itim)*

CONGRESS

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by their representatives on the Presidium waving to them from the platform.

Dr. Goldmann finally adjourned the plenary at 5.45 p.m.

The Presidium went into session at 7.15 in a small room behind the stage, and deliberated until 8.25, five minutes after the scheduled time for the evening meeting of the plenary which was to hear Foreign Minister Sharett.

Dr. Goldmann called the plenary to order at 8.40. He said that the incident had been discussed in the presence of the two Herut members of the Presidium.

Assurances were given that such incidents would not occur again. The Presidium warned that all means would be taken to keep the meetings quiet and decorous, and no parties would be permitted to disturb the discussions.

Herut had asked that that part of Mr. Hazan's speech which had touched off the uproar be struck out as non-partiamentary. Dr. Goldmann said that this request was made only 15 minutes before the plenary was to have begun.

He said that the incident would be considered closed for the time being so that Mr. Hazan could continue, and the request would be taken up at a Presidium meeting following the night's session.

More Catcalling

The Herut faction, however, was not satisfied and resumed their catcalling and heckling. Dr. Klarman rushed off the platform in an apparent attempt to quiet his colleagues, but failed.

Dr Goldmann warned that he now considered the turmoil to be aimed at the Presidium and not at Mr. Hazan. Angered, Dr. Goldmann shouted: "What do you think you are doing. Do you think you are going to terrorize this Congress?"

Feverish discussions took place on the platform while more than 3,000 persons, including several dozen local and foreign correspondents, looked on. The President and Mrs. Ben-Zvi were in the gallery to the right.

Dr. Goldmann then made a "last appeal" for order. He tried a compromise: Mr. Hazan would finish his address, and then a Herut member would follow with a statement.

If this was not accepted, the session would be adjourned. The Presidium would then decide what action to take with a faction that wants to sabotage the Congress," the Chairman said.

Mapam members lost their restraint and called, "Terrorists," "Fascists." Mrs. Golda Myerson, Minister of Labour, (Mapai) sitting on the dias, cautioned her Labour colleagues. She then asked Dr. Goldmann to end the meeting.

Loud Protests

A burst of protest from the Labour ranks broke out above the din when Mr. S. Yunitchman, one of the Herut delegates who had been leading the spectacle, jumped on to the stage to make himself heard.

Mrs. Myerson called out, "This can't be allowed."

Mr. Yunitchman withdrew.

Dr. Goldmann, banging his gavel, then stated firmly, "Mr. Hazan will continue his speech. If not, Mr. Sprinzak will call a meeting of the Presidium to decide what the Congress will do." He then repeated his offer to permit a Herut member to make a statement when Mr. Hazan finished.

Herut was intransigent, and Dr. Goldmann terminated the session at 9.15. In his final remarks, he apologized to President and Mrs. Ben-Zvi on behalf of the Congress for the incident, explained that it was due to the actions of one small faction. He received an ovation. He asked the delegates to remain in the hall.

Price of Bread, Halot Going Up

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The price of standard bread is to rise on Sunday by five pruta a loaf and of white bread by 10 pruta. The new prices will be 180 and 200 pruta, respectively, the Ministry of Commerce and Industry spokesman announced yesterday. (The price increase was reported in *The Jerusalem Post* on Sunday.)

All other types of bread have been freed from price controls. Halot, which are 160 pruta a loaf, are expected to rise by 15 to 20 pruta. It is believed that the higher prices for standard and white breads will cause the Cost-of-Living Index to rise by one-third of a point. Other types of bread are not included in Index calculations.

The Minister of Interior, Mr. Israel Bar-Yehuda, is opposed in principle to taxes on bread and water, the Ministry spokesman reported yesterday in Jerusalem.

He was commenting on the Minister's recent refusal to approve taxes on water in Tel Aviv as asked by the Municipality.

The Minister contends that water should cost only as much as was spent on bringing it to the consumer.

The IL1m. deficit in the Tel Aviv budget, which the requested water tax was expected to wipe out, would not have existed if the Municipality had collected rates properly, the spokesman said.

Deadlock Reached In Talks with Employers

TEL AVIV, Wednesday. — Negotiations between the Union of Food Processing Workers and the Manufacturers Association reached a deadlock at their resumed meeting today. The employers offered a three per cent wage increase for all workers in the fruit juice, jams and preserves branches of the industry, which was turned down by the Union.

The Union is claiming increases of six to eleven per cent for this year. Union leaders said that unless the Association was prepared to negotiate on the basis of their claims, which are backed by the Histadrut, there was no point in another meeting. They gave the Association until Sunday to answer, failing which "steps would be taken."

The employers declared that their branches could not afford any increases without a corresponding rise in production, and the three per cent offer was made to avoid friction.

Meetings with the pharmaceutical, chocolate, oils and cigarettes branches of the industry are to be held next week. The first meeting between the Textile Workers Union and the Association is to begin tomorrow.

Life Term For Planned Murder

HAIFA, Wednesday. — Mahmud Faour, 31, of Hurfeish village in Upper Galilee, was found guilty of premeditated murder and was sentenced to life imprisonment by the District Court today. The Court consisted of President Y. Assal, and judges Mrs. E. Vlasgradov, and Y. Kahan. On June 6, 1955, Faour shot and killed Ahmed Khleihel, 27, a schoolteacher who was lodging in his house and whom he suspected of having relations with his wife.

According to the evidence, Faour was married to the widow of his brother, and had six children, three of them his own and three his brother's. Three years ago, Khleihel came to the village to teach at the government school, and took a room upstairs in the accused's home. Faour's wife and children used to help the teacher by cooking his food and cleaning his room.

Suspected of Affair

Some months before the murder, the relations between the two men deteriorated because Faour suspected the teacher of having an affair with his wife. Things got steadily worse, until Faour threatened to murder his wife, who ran away the day before the murder, leaving her children.

Faour then threatened to kill the teacher, who asked the mukhtar and village elders to intervene, assuring them that Faour's suspicions were completely unfounded. He told them of the serious situation and begged them to convince Faour.

On June 6, the accused ambushed the teacher, who was on his way to school, and shot him with his single-barrelled hunting rifle. Khleihel fell wounded and begged Faour not to kill him. But Faour reloaded the rifle and shot him in the head, killing him instantly. The accused then escaped to the neighbouring hills, and attempted to cross into the Lebanon, but was prevented from doing so when an Israel patrol spotted him. He remained in the hills until he was almost overcome by hunger and cold. He then gave himself up to the police admitting to the murder.

In Court, he pleaded that the deed was not premeditated.

TRIAL OF NAZARETH COUNCILLOR RESUMED

TIBERIAS, Wednesday. — The trial of Tewfik Sayid, Nazareth Communist Town Councillor, who is charged with assaulting two constables in the Tiberias prison last November while serving a 40-day sentence for illegally entering a closed area, was resumed before Magistrate Elias Ktelly today. The hearing lasted for ten hours on and off. All the prosecution witnesses completed giving their evidence and were cross-examined at great length by the defence counsel.

INDUSTRY SHOW DRAWS CROWDS

Jerusalem Post Bureau

HAIFA, Wednesday. — The TAI '56 industrial exhibition is establishing itself as the town's main attraction. By last night, nearly 20,000 visitors had seen the show, and today the number was growing. Many tourists were seen there today.

Personnel of the U.S. Embassy came today and recorded their impressions in the Visitors Book. Six hundred naval officers and men also viewed the show. A few stands and pavilions which had not been completed were made ready today.

In order to brighten up the exhibition grounds, it was decided to convert more of the stony ground into fresh lawns. It was too late to sow grass, which takes weeks to grow to a luscious green. Instead, the city gardener had wheat sown. It sprouted quickly turning into bright green lawn, to the novice indistinguishable from grass.

Exit Permit Granted Bank Case Accused

TEL AVIV, Wednesday. — An exit permit to leave the country was granted today to one of the accused in the Japhet Bank-Braunstein case by Judge M. Kenneth, relieving President of the District Court.

The Attorney-General has filed 248 charges of illegal foreign currency transactions against Ya'acov Braunstein an importer, and 12 representatives of the Japhet Bank.

Yoel Forster, who had been released on bail, asked to leave the country for one month to negotiate in Turkey on a building contract. The project has been sanctioned by the Ministry of Finance and Solel Boneh. Forster said that he had no intention of leaving the country permanently.

Police at the hearing opposed granting the permit on the grounds that Forster was an important figure in their investigations. They said they had "reliable information" that Forster was planning not to return to Israel.

In handing down his decision, the Judge stipulated that the accused deposit a bond of IL10,000, and provide a bank guarantee for IL30,000 which would be confiscated if he did not return by June 7. *(Itim)*

Druze Celebrate Feast Of Nebi Shueb

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TIBERIAS, Wednesday. — Several thousand Druze today celebrated the Feast of Nebi Shueb, in Hittin Village, near here, traditonal site of the Prophet's tomb. The Prophet is Jethro, the father-in-law of Moses.

A reception was later held by the Druze religious leaders, Knesset Members and notables for the Military Governor, senior army and police officers and civic leaders.

Samaritan Passover

The Samaritan Passover was ushered in on Tuesday evening with the traditional sacrifice on Mount Gerisim near Nablus, the Old City paper, "El Jihad," reported yesterday.

The largest crowd since 1948, including members of the Consular and Diplomatic Corps as well as Jordan officials, watched the sacrifice of a sheep performed by the Samaritan High Priest at sundown.

Israel Bank's Assets, Liabilities Drop

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The assets and the liabilities of the Bank of Israel dropped by IL43m. in the monthly balance sheet released yesterday. The drop is accounted for by the Government paying sums falling due at the end of the fiscal year in accordance with the law.

Foreign currency reserves increased by IL33m. during the month to IL117,823,382. The bank purchased IL12m. worth of fixed interest bonds.

Currency in circulation rose by IL14m., from IL198m. to IL207m., due mainly to increased purchases preceding the Passover holidays.

Queuing for Kaye

By PAUL KOHN, Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV, Wednesday. — The Rococo Ticket Agency on Rehov Disengoff opened its doors at exactly 9 o'clock this *shavue* morning, and the first patient Danny Kaye ticket-seekers were rewarded for their 14-hour wait. By that time, several hundred men, women, children and soldiers had formed a blocklong queue, kept in perfect order by a dozen policemen on special "Danny Kaye duty."

The first half-dozen persons arrived at the Agency office at 7 p.m. yesterday, and Mrs. Malka Arkartz, a clerk in the employ of the Manufacturers Association, drew up a list of the queuers, whose number had reached 120 by midnight.

The queuers were allowed to leave but had to be present at a roll call at 2 a.m., and police inspected the lists every two hours. By dawn, the number had mounted to over 200 persons.

The standees brought their own chairs. Some knitted, others played rummy (for matches), told jokes and a few even tried to sleep through it all. They arranged a relay system to bring sausages and soup from the nearby Kasalt Cafe, which remained open till early morning.

The Agency had 850 tickets for sale. The greatest demand was for the lower price ranges, and they were sold out by 10.30 this morning. There were 70 tickets at IL4,500, 40 for IL4,500, and 304 at IL42. Of the dearest tickets, at IL22, of which 240 went on sale, 140 were still available at noon, Mr. Zvi Klein, owner of the Agency, said.

Danny Kaye is expected at Lydda Airport at 2.30 p.m. tomorrow by El Al.

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20,000 STRIKE IN SPAIN

MADRID, Wednesday (UP). — Strikes spread today in Bilbao, centre of Spain's heavy industry, said the Franco Government ordered eight more factories to be shut down.

An estimated 20,000 workers are now off the job in Bilbao. Industrial sources feared that the strike might spread even further among the independent Basque workers.

Murder Victims Buried Side by Side

TEL AVIV, Wednesday. — Accompanied by grief-stricken relatives, friends and co-workers, the four murdered victims of the Arab ambush in the Arava last Monday, Yigal Detoledano, Dunn, Gfer, Arye Wilensky and Elishu Sukenik, were buried side by side in the Kiryat Shaul cemetery today.

The cortege of two command cars bearing the coffins draped in black and the National Flag left the offices of Water Planning for Israel (Tahal) at noon.

The director of Tahal, Mr. Simha Blass, declared that the four had gone out on the life-giving mission of searching for water, undeterred by danger.

"Let their murderers and their chiefs in high places know that, as these four had fulfilled their duty, others will continue the work and the Arava will be strengthened by dozens of settlements," he said.

Tributes were paid at the cemetery by the Minister of Agriculture, Mr. Kadish Looz, who declared, "We here solemnly promise that their sacrifice will not have been in vain, and in the place where their blood was shed, water will flow giving life to new settlements." *(ITIM)*

The Minister of Development, Mr. M. Bentov, has sent a letter of condolence to Tahal and to its workers committee in which he expresses his profound shock over the murder.

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sident said that there appeared to be no change in the Communist approach to control over armaments.

Mr. Peter Thorneycroft, President of the Board of Trade, was called in to the talks this morning. This suggests that the Russian statesmen were, up to the last minute, pursuing their hope of a new trade agreement with Britain. Britain has resisted all Soviet proposals for ending the ban by the Western nations on trade in strategic goods.

The final declaration is expected to contain some very small agreement about the possibilities of promoting ordinary human contacts between the British and Soviet peoples.

It may contain some expressions of hope about the concerns of the Governments to work through the United Nations for the pacification of the turbulent Middle East, and for cooperation in preventing a further crisis in divided Vietnam.

For the rest—the problem of German unity, European security, disarmament, trade—diplomatic observers expect either "agreement to disagree" or platitudinous expressions of goodwill.

BLAST. — Eight miners have been killed in a coal mine explosion in northern Anatolia, Ankara Radio reported yesterday.

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British Frigate Docks in Haifa

Jerusalem Post Bureau

HAIFA, Wednesday. — The 2,400-ton British frigate, the H.M.S. Undine, arrived for a six-day visit this morning. Her 217-man crew will get a chance to rest from patrolling the Cyprus coast against gunrunners for the EOKA underground.

The ship entered Port with full naval ceremony. Two Gordon Englander pipers in green tartans and full ceremonial dress played their bagpipes on her deck until she tied up. The Undine fired no salutes as she is a "non-saluting" ship, not having a battery of at least four guns of the same calibre.

The British Consul General, Mr. N.O.W. Steward, and the military attaché of the British Embassy were piped aboard the ship by the Highlanders and together with the Undine's commander, Capt. J. F. D. Bush, left for courtesy calls on the District Commissioner, the Mayor and the Commander of the Navy. The calls were returned later, the bagpipes playing each time.

At most the Captain and officers received the Press aboard ship. They insisted on dropping all formalities and were in good spirits. Captain Bush stated that he had been to Haifa many times before during World War II.

SALAH SALEM NOW BECOMES NEWSMAN

After having failed as a politician, the former Egyptian Propaganda Minister, Major Salah Salem, has applied for membership in the Egyptian Journalists Association, "Falastin" the Old City daily, reported yesterday. He is editing a new Cairo paper called "A-Sha'ab" (The People).

Cables in Brief

FIRE. — Nine persons died in a fire which gutted two north Philadelphia houses shortly after dawn yesterday. The dead, most of them burned beyond recognition, included three women and six children.

LUFTHANSA. — West Germany's Lufthansa airline will establish a Middle East route in mid-September. Terminals will be Frankfurt and Teheran with intermediate stops in Munich, Istanbul, Beirut and Baghdad.

GRUDGE. — A mysterious telephone caller believed to bear a grudge against Margherita Tricola, a pretty 24-year-old dressmaker, of Florence, Italy, has sent to her house during the past three weeks the fire brigade, two lunatic asylum attendants with a strait-jacket, an ambulance, two doctors, seven midwives and a small army of electricians, plumbers, painters and television, radio and gas repairmen and two undertakers.

Driver Must Pay IL16,000 in Damages

TEL AVIV, Wednesday. — A driver who ran over and seriously injured a three-year-old child was ordered to pay nearly IL16,000 in damages by Judge H.S. Lowenberg in the District Court yesterday. The child's parents claimed IL46,000.

The driver, Alfred Levine of Tel Aviv, had driven his car along Rehov Weisel, when he was confronted by a group of children playing in the road. The children dispersed, but afterwards he found one of them, Zvi Weiss, injured in the road. He went at once to get first aid for the child.

The judge declared that the child would be an invalid all his life as a result of head injuries and would require an eye operation. *(ITIM)*

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IF there had been any hopes left alive of ever one day persuading the Arabs to accept the Johnston scheme for the use of the Jordan waters for a regional irrigation scheme, the remarks of Mr. John Foster Dulles in Washington on Tuesday have given them their death blow.

DULLES ON JORDAN

For so long as the Arabs felt that there was a possibility that Israel would go ahead with her own scheme if they failed to agree, there was a chance that one day they might come to some form of implementation of the larger plan. Now that they have the assurance that the U.S. at least frowns upon the resumption of work by Israel on that part of the scheme which belongs to the Demilitarized Zone, the last form of pressure, albeit negative, has been removed.

Mr. Dulles gives more than an exhibition of appeasement; he forgets the facts of the situation. When the matter of the work on the canal in connection with the Israel scheme came up in October, 1953, Israel agreed to suspend work pending an examination of the question. But the draft resolution which obtained a majority vote at the Security Council did not uphold the Syrian claim that Israel had no right to pursue the work. On the contrary, it held that an expert enquiry should be made into the project. As this amounted to a rejection of the Syrian contentions, the resolution was vetoed by Russia.

It is thus clear that Mr. Dulles was quite wrong, when he said the work had been described as a violation of the Armistice Agreement. The sense of the Security Council discussions and of the majority of its members who voted for the resolution, was that the work was not a contravention, and it took a Russian veto to nullify the proposal.

The enquiry was completed and it was clear that no breach of the Armistice Agreement was involved in [illegible] resuming work. She nevertheless refrained in order to give the Johnston scheme a fair chance of success. The reward for her forbearance is now the strange spectacle of a U.S. Secretary of State upholding a Soviet veto!

But even Mr. Dulles' strange logic cannot becloud the fact that Israel feels fully entitled to resume work on this purely developmental project.

Dead Sea's Beauty Tourist Asset

It is Being Turned to Good Account by Resort Development

By SHALOM COHEN

ALL the riches in the Dead Sea basin are equalled by its wealth of scenic beauty; its wild mountains, as if just thrown up and suddenly become still; white, grey and all shades of brown salt hills twisted and gouged by nature into original designs and shapes, standing back from the hazy expanse of the Dead Sea, and sometimes almost reaching into it; its streams and waterfalls making cool ponds in fantastically beautiful surroundings; or its caves, long high subterranean passages honeycombing the hills, where one penetrates into cool vaults, bizarre and atmospheric, dark until light suddenly breaks through the sky-scraper-size "chimneys," giant smooth-faced vertical shafts worn through the soft hills by spring waters, and such magnificent remains of history as the national shrine of Massada, the mountain fortress, scene of the last Jewish stand against the Romans. No wonder Mrs. Lot was tempted to take another peek and damned the expense.

New Corporation

Though the penalty to see Sdom again is not what it once was, things could be made a lot easier for visitors to get to the right places. This, with an eye to expanding tourism, will be one of the tasks of the Dead Sea Development Corporation soon to be set up by the Government. Many beauty spots between the hills, and most of the caves — many still uncharted — are only accessible to veteran habitues clinging perilously to prancing jeeps. The long, steep ascent to the table top of Massada on the serpentine Roman path can be made by most people, and could be managed by all if the last few metres on top, now climbed with the aid of a rope, were made easier.

The recent excavations, which have uncovered more remains of Herod's mountain palace on the northern upper indent of the summit, can be seen wholly only by real mountaineers. If one is to judge from the view from the top, and from photographs, the site will be one of the most outstanding and impressive in the country, because of its classic stone work, and its extraordinary location, poised as it seemingly is in space. The Dead Sea archaeologist, Mr. Shmarya Guttman, who participated in the Massada excavations, says that the number of visitors now coming to Massada could keep three guides busy just giving information on the ruins and the Roman assault.

To natural beauty and history, the Ministry of Development is now considering adding health resorts as a further attraction to visitors. Some four kilometres from Ein Bokek, site of the planned bitumen project 20 kilometres north of Sdom, are sulphur springs three times richer in hydrogen sulphide than the health waters of the famous spas at Toeplitz, Baden or Aachen; they are twice as rich as the Tiberias springs. Their waters cut bright, green-stained gullies in the slopes. There is also a makeshift wooden construction over a spring where President Ben-Zvi bathed during his recent stay in Sdom.

After various tests, including some by the Weismann Institute, the Ministry is investigating the possibility of setting up mineral baths and inhalatoria. Negotiations are under way with State, public and private bodies which are said to be interested in the enterprise. Enough fresh drinking water is available, as well as mineral drinking water similar to that found at celebrated Karlsbad.

To complete the picture, the Ministry is also considering the building of a winter rest home at Ein Bokek itself. Discussions have already been opened with interested *hoteliers*. Experts see a promising future for the proposed hotel, particularly because of its surroundings.

A favourable verdict was also given by members of the U.N. mission on tourism which visited Ein Bokek, who declared that an essential condition for a hotel there was the laying of an 18-kilometre lakeside road from Sdom, in place of the present rough track. Insurance against rain in winter was one of their selling points for a Dead Sea hotel.

With a spa, a winter rest home, and the bitumen project some distance away, the Ministry sees in Ein Bokek a future flourishing centre, as it once was for the Romans to judge by the remains of their buildings, reservoirs and aqueduct.

Discussions on the new development Corporation are almost finished, and a budget has been allotted for surveys. Ministry officials feel that it is too modest but constitutes a start in the right direction — opening up the Dead Sea basin to the growing pilgrimage of visitors and tourists.

This is the third of four articles. The first two appeared on April 20 and 23.

Visitors at the famous underground salt-caves at Sdom, which are a leading tourist attraction. The caves are hollowed-out tunnels in a mountain of pure rock salt, mined for the Atlit salt works.
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Readers' Letters

"MANCHESTER GUARDIAN" CORRESPONDENT REPLIES

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — Mr. Zeev Laqueur is to be congratulated for having discovered, at long last, why "Israel frequently gets a worse press than the Arab countries." It is because the "Manchester Guardian" employs as its Israel correspondent somebody who is described as a critic of the local Government.

May I point out that my cable of April 2 to which Mr. Laqueur takes exception is not the only one dealing with "recent events" — i.e. the shelling of frontier settlements by the Egyptians and the countershelling of the Gaza area by Israel forces. There was a cable published on April 7 which Mr. Laqueur undoubtedly has seen and which was captioned by the Guardian's editors with the double headlines "Weeb 'coddling' Egypt" and "Israel Explanation."

Two days later I found it necessary to report on the way the Israel press had reacted to the preceding weeks' events. Had that reaction been one of unanimous and unreserved approval I would certainly have reported it as it was reported, for instance, after the El-Sabha battle early in November. I fail to discern why the mentioning in Britain two days later of a couple of restrainedly critical utterances from the Israel press connotes that Israel is having a "bad press."

The "Manchester Guardian" is, as Mr. Laqueur says, "by no means unsympathetic to Israel." One might go farther than that and find a deep source of satisfaction in the way in which the successors of the late C.P. Scott are remaining faithful to his heritage of unwavering sympathy with the national movement of the Jewish people.

There are many ways open to us if we should wish to undermine this position of traditional friendship. One of them would be to send them from Tel Aviv the same type of cables as they are wont to receive from Cairo. They would of course get printed much as the Cairo cables get printed; but I question whether they would influence editorial opinion any more than the comment supplied to them from the Egyptian capital.

This influence has so far been remarkably small. A bigger dose of propaganda from our side is very unlikely to achieve a different result for Israel. On the contrary, comment provided by local observers from Israel will be trusted by enlightened opinion the world over to the extent it succeeds in remaining unaffected by the malady of propaganda.

Yours etc.
WALTER GROSS
Tel Aviv, April 17.

Turkey Writhes in Grip Of Grave Inflation

By a Special Correspondent

ISTANBUL (O.F.N.S.). — WHEN Premier Adnan Menderes opened a new bridge across the Euphrates recently he astonished his audience by telling them that the country's Opposition was "composed of *saboteurs* whose only aim is to provoke a civil war." The head of the Opposition is ex-President Inonu, collaborator of the revered Ataturk, the founder of modern Turkey. Then Menderes attacked his country's Press. He said it was "helping Communism by backing the Turkish workers in their attempt to obtain the right—i.e. strike," and he foreshadowed measures "to deal with these foul methods of the Opposition."

There is no doubt that this outburst was partly provoked by his own Government's failure to cope with a desperate economic crisis which has now reduced the value of Turkey's currency to almost one quarter of its official rate, has put many essential goods and foods beyond the reach of the man-in-the-street, and is threatening the country with bankruptcy.

Turks have now to pay IL0.750 for a loaf of bread, IL8.000 for a kilo of meat and IL6.600 for a kilo of butter. Coffee, when available, fetches IL6.000 a kilo. Most workers earn between IL3.000 and IL5.250 a day.

To tide him over his economic difficulties, Mr. Menderes asked the U.S. last spring for another loan of $300m. But America was tired of sinking further capital into an economy drifting towards bankruptcy through wasteful spending and a false and unco-ordinated investment policy, and after having already spent roughly $500m. on Turkey since 1947, Washington refused.

Soviets Would Invest

The Russians saw their chance in this situation, and this month they suggested to Ankara an increase in trade and declared themselves willing to invest large sums of money in Turkey to assist the country's economic development schemes. They singled out expansion of the iron and steel industry, exploitation of asphalt resources for road building, and the construction of an oil refinery with a capacity of 70,000 tons at a cost of $50m. This last scheme would save Ankara 30 per cent of its present outlay in foreign exchange required for the import of finished petroleum products.

America's immediate answer was the granting of another loan of $25m. through the International Co-operation Administration. Though bringing the total of American economic aid during the current fiscal year to almost $55m. it neither meets the Soviet offer, nor does it come anywhere near the Turkish request for $300m.

Nevertheless, Ankara is unlikely seriously to consider the Russian offer at present, though the Soviet plea for increased mutual trade may be accepted.

The fact that the Premier himself represented his country at Teheran lends credence to Ankara reports that Turkey must have asked more U.S. aid through the Baghdad Pact's economic organization. As this would be for special, well-defined purposes only, Washington may agree, for it is the demand for a free hand in Turkish spending of American credits and aid that has met with opposition in the U.S.

Jericho's Fortifications 8,000 Years Old

By DAVID SPURGEON,

JERICHO. — ARCHAEOLOGISTS of the joint British-Canadian excavation party have uncovered evidence this season which leads them to believe that Old Testament Jericho was inhabited even earlier than they had suspected.

From the remains found in the earliest levels of habitation, they have also learned that the first inhabitants of Jericho were not the pre-pottery Neolithic people whose discovery caused so much excitement in previous years, but another and earlier pre-pottery Neolithic group whose existence was unheard of until now.

This is considered to be one of the most important conclusions to be drawn from a highly successful dig season — a season which has produced startling evidence of the advanced stage of culture of the early citizens of the famous site.

One of the major discoveries is that the world's oldest-known walled city was protected against invasion by a great ditch cut 30 feet wide and eight feet deep into bed rock. This was surmounted by an 18 foot wall, with a round rock bastion towering above the wall.

It is now believed that the great ditch outside the pre-pottery Neolithic city walls, and the huge round defensive tower with its staircase, the world's earliest example of stone architecture, were constructed by the earlier pre-pottery Neolithic group, and therefore are of even greater antiquity and significance than previously realised.

Evidence obtained previously suggests that construction of the ditch, the tower and the staircase took place 8,000 years ago.

The methods by which the archaeologists concluded that two different pre-pottery Neolithic groups inhabited Jericho illustrate the kind of detective work which archaeologists must use to make sense out of materials they find deep in the ruins of the centuries.

The levels in which most work has been done up to this season, have been yielding remains whose characteristics showed them to belong to the pre-pottery Neolithic period — houses with uniform plans, built of long cigar-shaped bricks with thumb impressions and with burnished and plastered floors and walls.

Two Distinct Groups

But this year, as the digging went deeper there began to be a noticeable change in the remains found — the bricks no longer were long and cigar-shaped, but small and shaped like a hog's back; the house plans were different, and the walls and floors were plastered but not burnished.

At first, the significance of these changes was not apparent, for the remains were still obviously pre-pottery Neolithic, but gradually other evidence whose significance also had been indistinct began to fall into place and with these changes produced a complete picture.

For between the levels in which these two different types of remains lay, and separating them, was found a thick fill and in one place a sedi (stream) bed.

Putting this information together, the archaeologists came to the conclusion that the two levels separated by the fill contained remains from two completely different groups of people who had occupied Jericho at different times, and between their occupation there was a period in which there was no occupation at all. The fill indicated the period of no occupation, and the sedi bed in it showed this period had lasted for some time.

The great ditch, the city walls and the tower and staircase were covered by the fill or by a stratum containing hog-back bricks so they must have been built by the first group to occupy the city, then have been left standing and become covered by the earth.

For lack of a better name, the two groups of pre-pottery Neolithic people are being referred to as PP1 and PP2, PP1 being the earlier. How long was the period between occupations is not known, but the fill varies in depths up to five feet, which indicates a substanial length of time.

Mr. Spurgeon's dispatches from the site of the Royal Ontario Museum's Expedition to Jericho are appearing in The Jerusalem Post by arrangement with the "Toronto Globe and Mail."

ZIONISM AND HATS

By E. DAVIDSON

THE Americans are upon us. They have come to preach Zionism to us. They have come to see us. They have come to encourage us. They have come. When I say Americans I am thinking of the women of that country. And when I think of hats.

"Did you say 'hats'?"

Yes I said hats. Never have I seen so many hats on so few heads. Mrs. Pastilnika, for example, wore a red hat with white daisies for breakfast (most becoming), wore a white hat with a red feather at a Youth Aliya conference (quite ravishing) at 11 a.m. When she visited the Hadassah Vocational Training School at midday, her head was bedecked with a hat that was not quite a hat but a wreath of artificial roses held together by a dark net (most original). She lunched under a model that Grace Kelly used to wear before her marriage (absolutely staggering) and when she made her pilgrimage to Mt. Herzl in the evening she was wearing a black hat with a brown, very dark brown, streamer (highly chic).

The other night, we had some of these visitors in for a cocktail. One lady talked so intelligently about the Middle East policy of the State Department that I was quite carried off my feet. When everybody had gone and my wife and I were holding our usual *post-mortem*, I referred to this talk.

"But did you see her hat?"

"I cannot say I did."

"You men! why — it was quite absurd."

"Why — er — why was it absurd?"

"The woman is well over 60 and she was wearing a sort of beret suitable for a teenager."

While we were talking of this and that, the phone rang. It was that chatterbox Zenobia, one of my best friends.

"How did it go?"

"What?"

"Don't be stupid! You know I'm talking about your Hadassah cocktail."

"Fine, thanks. Very interesting people. Really good friends of ours..."

"What hats were they wearing?"

"How should I know what hats they were wearing — I don't know whether they were wearing any at all."

"Darling, you are hopeless! Bring Judy to the phone."

"Judy!" I shouted, "Zenobia wants to know about their hats."

Then they talked about hats for the next 30 minutes. It appears that Miriam was wearing something quite stunning, that Arizona's hat was fantastic, that Mrs. Kumsitzer sported a most original creation and Mrs. Whatshernames — you know the one from Los Angeles who is interested in defective children —of course you know her — she was wearing a wine-red dress with a carnation in her . . . Yes, that's the one — well hers was stupendous and I wish our women would learn to wear a hat that looks like a hat . . . it makes such a difference to a woman.

By now I began to realise that the important thing about our trans-Atlantic visitors was not their views on the future of Israel, not their plans for a bigger and better Hadassah, not their potential political power to be exercised in favour of a sounder American policy regarding Israel, but just their hats.

So I began to take notice. At the King David — I took notice. At the President — I took notice. At the Eden — I took notice. And sure enough, there was a forest of exciting hats, of all colours, of all sizes, of all shapes . . .

This morning the final blow struck. I was reading the economic page of "Ha'aretz" when my *sabra* wife pulled the paper away from me. I knew that an important announcement was coming.

"Darling," she said "I have seen the most intriguing hat at Little's. I just must buy it."

"What's wrong with all those hats of yours . . . "

"Darling," she interrupted, "I feel just naked and—er—provincial in them. You'll love the new one."

Insect Voices

NATURE NOTES

THIS is the time when most of our crickets and grasshoppers become active in every sense, and having just gone through an extraordinary book on "The Song of Insects" by Professor Pierce of Harvard, I am eager to tell my readers about it.

Mr. Pierce is a physicist, not a zoologist, and he is interested mainly in the acoustic aspect of the matter. As I have had occasion to remark in this column before, insects have not a voice in the usual sense; they produce their sounds (apart from the "humming" brought forth by the oscillation of wings, which is not voluntary) either by scraping a sort of violin bow — the "scraper" — across a "file" — a long row of tiny teeth on one wing cover which is hard, not soft like the real wings; or by rubbing the ridge of one wing along the hindermost pair of legs; or, and this is a different matter altogether, by vibrating a membrane, a kind of drum, with the aid of special muscles.

All this is not new. But Mr. Pierce and his assistants have now, with very complicated apparatus, measured and recorded these sounds, including those which are supersonic, that is beyond the human capacity of hearing, above 18,000 cycles per second.

They worked both in the field and with caged insects in the laboratory, where they also photographed (with a motion picture camera) their small objects and saw the most delightful things, such as a Field cricket "dancing and making fantastic manoeuvres in the presence of a female in the same cage." They also educated or trained a katydid to answer the "song" produced by an assistant and found that up to five he repeated correctly!

P. A.

Arab Extortion

YESTERDAY'S PRESS

"HABOKER" (General Zionist) observes that the pattern of Arab aggression is quite clear. Each of the Arab countries, in turn, carries out an operation a few days before Mr. Hammarskjold is due to visit it: first it is the *fedayeen* from Egypt; then the Kinneret shooting from Syria; and now the Negev murder from Jordan. Whether the pretext be an alleged Israel attack or the blame thrown on the "irregulars," these countries in every case achieve the special status of the one to be sued for a cease-fire, at a price of course.

All facts point to the conclusion that the Arabs have been trying to obtain concessions from Israel through the Secretary-General's efforts to obtain calm, but one thing should remain clear: they must not be permitted to create such a situation that with the aid of sabotage and murder they will become extortioners whom we shall have to placate in order to get them to hold their fire.

"Lamerhav" (Ahdut Ha'avoda) writes that for us it does not matter whether the attack comes from the north, the south or the east. We have not been deluded into thinking, like the West, that the worst is over, for we know that these talks with the Arabs only give them time to prepare for their attack, or perhaps to provoke Israel to hasty action that will "expose" her to the world as the disturber of peace. The Arava murder should serve as a warning to us that we must be prepared and also apprise the powers that the danger of war in this region has not passed. The Arab rulers are preparing for it under the cloak of the renewed Armistice Agreements.

"Davar" (Histadrut) wants to know whether the latest attacks, all carried out in the height of Mr. Hammarskjold's efforts to cease tension, do not clearly prove who the aggressor is and who is constantly endangering Middle East peace. The answer will attest to the defensive character of every Israel border operation for, in effect, there is no force other than Israel that can effectively deter the Arabs from continuing with their blood-and-fire pastime.

"Al Hamishmar" (Mapam) says that the rulers of Egypt, Jordan and Syria are giving Mr. Hammarskjold an "object lesson" on how they understand the meaning of an absolute cease-fire and how they are prepared to respect the Armistice Agreements. Will the Secretary-General fathom this language of sabotage and murder that the Arabs are employing even in the very presence of the Security Council's representative?

"Hatzofe" (World Misrahi) is not in the least surprised at the resurgence of violence and avers that the Moscow announcement that gave rise to so much hope has been so speedily and effectively watered down by subsequent apologia as to invalidate its having been made to start with. Also, Mr. Dulles' suddenly trotting out the Bennike dictum that the Jordan project affects Syrian rights is not helping the Hammarskjold mission in the least; on the contrary, it is only making it more difficult.

"Kol Ha'am" (Communist) again comes out with its favourite allegation that "imperialist intrigue" is behind the murders and calls on Israel not to be provoked to action but to continue to seek peace with the Arabs.

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